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## TOUR DATES

Having completed a highly successful solo tour of the Southeast U.S. in March, the Summer's live performance calendar is full of festival appearances.

Dates are solo performances unless otherwise indicated.

Sat, 6 June 2009  
Santa Monica, CA  
LA Acoustic Music Festival

Sun, 28 June 2009  
Laytonville, CA  
Kate Wolf Memorial Music Festival

Thu, 16 July 2009  
Wiltshire, UK  
Larmer Tree Festival

Sat, 18 July 2009  
London, UK  
Barbican Hall  
An All-Star Fairport Convention Concert

Mon, 20 July 2009  
Pontardawe, South Wales, UK  
Pontardawe Arts Centre

Wed, 22 July 2009  
Chesterfield, UK

Winding Wheel

Thu, 23 July 2009  
Durham, UK  
Gala Theatre

Fri, 24 July 2009  
Leicestershire, UK  
The Waterside Centre  
National Forest Folk Club & Festival

Fri, 7 August 2009  
Dranouter, Belgium  
Folkfestival Dranouter

Thu, 13 August 2009  
New Brighton, UK  
Floral Pavilion Theatre

Fri, 14 August 2009  
Banbury, Oxon  
Cropredy Festival

Sat, 15 August 2009  
Banbury, Oxon  
Cropredy Festival  
RT with "Friends of Fairport"

Fri, 21 August 2009  
Escot Park, Devon, UK  
Beautiful Days Festival

Please visit <http://www.richardthompson-music.com/Tour.asp> for ongoing updates to schedule.

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## NEWSBITS

### NEW CD - LIVE WARRIOR

Celebrate RT's birthday with a stunning new live set recorded during 2007's Sweet Warrior shows in the US and the UK.

"Live Warrior" features the Richard Thompson Band - Pete Zorn on multiple instruments, Michael Jerome on drums and percussion, and Danny Thompson and Taras Prodaniuk splitting the bass duties.

New live versions of 14 songs.

As with all Beeswing releases, Live Warrior is available \*only\* at Richard Thompson shows, and through Beesweb <<http://www.richardthompson-music.com/Merch.asp>>

Digital downloads available through The Connexion.

CDs will be shipped beginning April 7 from the UK Hive and The Connexion.

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## ROCK BAND II

Richard Thompson makes his Rock Band debut!

In March 2009, "The Way That It Shows" was made available as a downloadable track on Rock Band 2, for PlayStation 2 & 3, Xbox, and Wii.

This means that gamers everywhere are now able to play the song's ripping solo on a plastic guitar!

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## CABARET OF SOULS

World-renowned double bassist and long time RT colleague and friend Danny Thompson will be a featured artist at the International Society of Bassists 2009 convention in State College, Pennsylvania.

In honor of the occasion, Richard Thompson has composed a song cycle featuring the double bass.

On the afternoon of June 10, 2009, at Penn State University's Schwab Auditorium, Richard and Danny will be joined on stage by Harry Shearer, Judith Owen, Debra Dobkin, and string and vocal ensembles to debut Cabaret of Souls, a musical chronicle of a talent contest set in Hell.

The ISB is a non-profit organization, and in order to raise funds for this undertaking, they have just launched a "Friends of Richard Thompson and Danny Thompson" pledge drive, offering wonderful premiums in exchange for your tax-deductible donations.

Please visit

[http://www.isbworldoffice.com/convention/Comm\\_Music\\_Commission.htm](http://www.isbworldoffice.com/convention/Comm_Music_Commission.htm)  
for all of the details.

And yes, a limited number of tickets will be available to the public for this one-time performance. Contact Madeleine Crouch at [info@isbworldoffice.com](mailto:info@isbworldoffice.com) to purchase.

Support the arts!

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#### BOXED SET

On August 4 Shout! Factory will pay tribute to the legendary Richard Thompson with a career-spanning 4-CD box set, *Walking On A Wire: Richard Thompson (1968-2009)*. The songs chosen for this selection of his work were carefully assembled and aim to provide a real sense of Richard Thompson, as well as to celebrate the diversity of his music - rock 'n' roll with folk, jazz, rockabilly and the odd waltz thrown in - the scope of his songwriting, and the sheer virtuosity of his playing. *Walking On A Wire* impressively includes 71 tracks from albums released by 15 different labels, and includes a 60 page booklet with new notes by Patrick Humphries.

More information and track listing at: [http://www.richardthompson-music.com/catch\\_of\\_the\\_day.asp?id=1038](http://www.richardthompson-music.com/catch_of_the_day.asp?id=1038)

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Have a question to ask Richard? We'll slip your question into Richard's mailbag and hope for an online response. Answers are posted in Catch of the Day every 4 to 6 weeks. Peruse past Q&A sessions at:  
<http://www.richardthompson-music.com/questionsandanswers.asp>

Submit your photos and we will feature them on the website! Please include date/venue/photographer with your submission.

Watch for our next Newsletter with further updates soon!

Best regards,

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